



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Public Health Service

Food and Drug Administration
Rockville MD 20857

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March 28, 2002

Emord & Associates
Jerome Stevens Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
5282 Lyngate Court
Burke, VA 22015

Dear Mr. Emord:

Your petition on behalf of Jerome Stevens Pharmarmaceuticals, Inc., requesting the Food and Drug Administration to indefinitely stay approval of all NDA's or ANDA's that rely on Jerome's trade secret manufacturing information for orally-administered Levothyroxine Sodium, was received by our office on 03/26/02. It was assigned docket number 02P-0135/PSA 1 and it was filed on 03/28/02. Please refer to this docket number in future correspondence on this subject with the Agency.

Please note that the acceptance of the petition for filing is a procedural matter in that it in no way reflects an agency decision on the substantive merits of the petition.

Sincerely,

Lyle D. Jaffe
Dockets Management Branch

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